(c) The candidate recommended by the Union Public Service Commission for appointment on the results of the Assistants' Grade Examination's 1984 have not been nominated to the Ministries/Departments for issuing them offers of appointment because of ban filling up of vacancies. It is difficult to say how long the ban will continue in its present form.

Displacement of persons by establishment of Instrumented Test Range in Orissa

1307. SHRI GAYA CHAND BHUYAN: Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what are the places, besides Baliapal in Balasore District of Orissa, which were considered for establishment of Instrumented Test Range;

(b) what criteria is adopted for establishing such a Range;

(c) what are the names of villages likely to be affected and proposed to be vacated due to establishment of Instrumented Test Range at Baliapal and the total pollution of those villages;

(d) whether Government propose to consider the difficulties of the people likely to be displaced and of the tribal people of the Nilgir area where it is proposed to rehabilitate the displaced persons; and

(e) what specific measures Government propose to take to associate the local people in the rehabilitation process so that there is no deterioration in the socio-economic condition of the local population?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF DEFENCE, RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT (SHRI ARUN SINGH): (a) The other places considered along with Baliapal in Balasore District for establishing National Range were areas on the Western, Southern and Eastern Coast; areas in Rajasthan and Andaman & Nicobar Islands.

(b) Various factors are taken into consideration for selection of Range site to meet the technical and operational requirements. Some of these are, suitability for launching various systems which are to be tested in the range, adequate safety zone, location of instrumentation and facilities, rail and road communications, clear firing zone, shelter from Air and Sea Routes, free from oil and mineral deposits, good meteorological conditions, ease of recovery etc.

(c) According to the present tentative estimates, about 51 villages in the Baliapal/Bhograi PS (total population about 6100 families) would be affected and are proposed to be evacuated for the National Range Project. The exact details are being finalised.

(d) Government has taken into consideration, the difficulties of the local people likely to be displaced. The land requirements have been finalised with the objective to displace the minimum population, keeping in view the technical and safety requirements. Government of Orissa is selecting suitable sites for rehabilitation of the displaced population as near to their present villages as possible. It is not proposed to rehabilitate the displaced population in areas which are far away.

(e) Orissa Government is working on evolving measures for implementation of the rehabilitation schemes keeping in view the socio-economic conditions of the population. Apart from adequate compensation for land, houses and other assests acquired, job opportunities may be created for the displaced families (one job per family). A number of community institutions like Industrial Training Institutes, schools and hospital may also be set up.